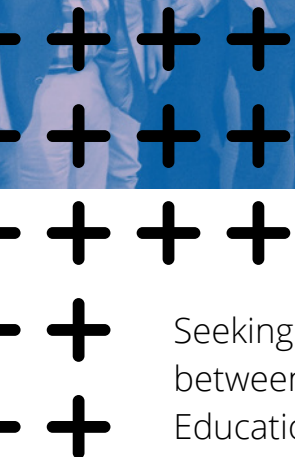


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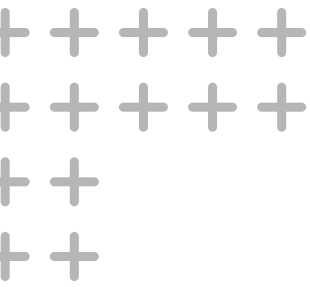
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Seeking to intensify academic cooperation in the humanities and social sciences between Germany and the Global South, the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research has supported the creation of research centres based on the close collaboration between German institutions and institutions from different world regions. Accordingly, five Merian Centres of Advanced Studies, named after the naturalist Maria Sibylla Merian (1647-1717), have been established in the cities of Delhi (ICAS:MP, 2015), Guadalajara (CALAS, 2017), São Paulo (Mecila, 2017), Accra (MIASA, 2018), and Tunis (MECAM, 2020).

In this first alumni symposium of the Maria Sibylla Merian Centre Conviviality-Inequality in Latin America, former Mecila Fellows will discuss the progress of their research since concluding their fellowship in São Paulo. On this occasion, we will also take stock of the contribution of the institutes of advanced studies to promoting outstanding, convivial academic cooperation, and to mitigating North-South asymmetries in the production and circulation of knowledge.



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## THURSDAY 2 NOVEMBER

**Harnack-Haus: Ihnestraße 16-20, Mozart-Zimmer**

**5:00 P.M.: FORMER FELLOWS PRELIMINARY MEETING (CLOSED SESSION)**

**6:00 P.M.: PUBLIC EVENT OPENING**

Moderation: **Barbara Potthast**, University of Cologne, Mecila Principal Investigator and former Director

**Günter M. Ziegler**, President of Freie Universität Berlin  
**Joseph Osei Djaba**, First Secretary Education, Embassy of the Republic of Ghana in Germany

**Roberto Jaguaribe**, Ambassador of Brazil in Germany  
**N.N.**, German Federal Ministry of Education and Research  
**Jörg Dünne**, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, former Mecila Fellow

**6:30 P.M.: PANEL DISCUSSION: OVERCOMING NORTH/SOUTH ASYMMETRIES – THE CONTRIBUTION OF THE CENTRES FOR ADVANCED STUDIES (PUBLIC)**

Moderation: **Peter W. Schulze**, University of Cologne, Mecila Principal Investigator and former Director

**Daniel Schönplug**, Wissenschaftskolleg zu Berlin, Head of Academic Programs

**Andreas Mehler**, University Freiburg, MIASA, Spokesperson

**Sérgio Costa**, FU Berlin, Mecila Speaker

**Daniela Vicherat Mattar**, University of Leiden, former Mecila Fellow

**8:00 P.M.: RECEPTION (PUBLIC)**



## FRIDAY 3 NOVEMBER

**Wissenschaftskolleg zu Berlin, Wallotstraße 19  
FU Berlin, Boltzmannstr. 1, Room 003**

**8:15 A.M.: GROUP DEPARTURE FROM HOTEL STEGLITZ INTERNATIONAL**

**9:00 A.M. – 12:00 PRIVATE GUIDED TOUR: WISSENSCHAFTSKOLLEG ZU BERLIN (WIKO) AND FORUM TRANSREGIONAL STUDIES (CLOSED GROUP)**

Closed to former Mecila Fellows and hosted by Prof. Dr. Daniel Schönplug (the Wiko's Head of Academic Programs) and Dr. Georges Khalil (Managing Director of the Forum Transregional Studies)

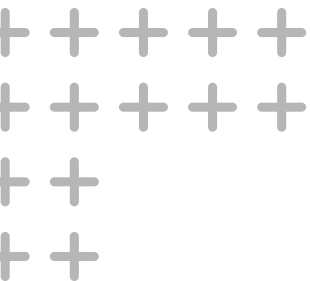
**12:00 – 2:00 P.M. TRANSIT WINDOW AND CATERED LUNCH BREAK ON THE FU BERLIN CAMPUS: BOLTZMANNSTR. 1, 14195 BERLIN, ROOM 003**

**2:00 P.M. – 4:00 P.M. FELLOWS PANEL: SPACES FOR MORE THAN HUMAN CONVIVIALITIES (PUBLIC)**

Moderation: **Peter Birle**, Ibero-American Institute, Mecila Principal Investigator and former Director

**Jörg Dünne**, HU Berlin — Quiltology? Research on Street Dogs in the Humanities Between Local Differences and Global Similarities

**Ana Carolina Torquato**, Universidade Federal do Paraná — Animal display in fiction: the theme of human-animal confinement and captivity in Clarice Lispector's work  
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**Simone Toji**, University of Sheffield — Epistemic conviviality between a researcher and her interlocutors in Brazil: Building ethical grounds in migration and urban studies through care and imagination

**Daniela Vicherat Mattar**, University of Leiden — Researching space as a source of vulnerability and care: From a square to a novel

4:00 P.M. – 4:30 P.M. COFFEE BREAK

4:30 P.M. – 6:30 P.M.: FELLOWS PANEL: INTERSECTING INEQUALITIES: IDENTITIES ACROSS SPACES (PUBLIC)

Moderation: **Carlos Alba**, El Colegio de México, Mecila Principal Investigator

**Aline Correa**, University of Cologne — Congresso Universal das Raças: Hierarquias, corpos, tempo e geografias

**Vanessa Massuchetto**, Universidade Federal do Paraná / MPI Legal History — Colonial women's experiences and knowledge of normativity: study of cases of rape in colonial Paraguay (18th century)

**Joanna Malgorzata Moszczynska**, University Regensburg — Magical journalism and Latin American wars: Kapuscinski's "The Soccer War"



## SATURDAY 4 NOVEMBER

FU Berlin, Boltzmannstr. 1, Room 003  
Floating Berlin e.V., Lilienthalstr. 32

9:30 A.M. – 11:30 A.M. CONVIVIALITY & COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH: FROM ALTERNATIVE METHODS TO ALTERNATIVE FORMS OF DISSEMINATION/ COMMUNICATION (PUBLIC)

Moderation: **Moacyr Novaes**, University of São Paulo, Mecila Principal Investigator

Respondents to Fellows Panels:

**Clara Ruvituso**, Ibero-American Institute, Mecila Postdoctoral Researcher

**Raquel Rojas**, FU Berlin, Mecila Postdoctoral Researcher

11:30 A.M. – 12:30 P.M.: BREAK AND TRANSIT WINDOW TO FLOATING BERLIN E.V., LILIENTHALSTR. 32

12:30 P.M. – 2:00 P.M. TOUR OF FLOATING BERLIN (CLOSED GROUP)

**Ute Lindenbeck**, Floating e.V. Berlin  
**Laura Kemmer**, DAAD-USP (Martius Chair)